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Children: Elmer, Frank, Carrie, Clara, Mame, Lily,  
1891 Amelia 1873 1888

# Four Generation Chart

5525

Neil's Theodore  
4 Jensen

## Grandfather

Born Denmark c. 1846

Where

Married

Where

Died Oct 1, 1931

Where Montgomery Co. PA

Ardsley/Hillside Cem.

Roslyn, PA

7 children

5 Josephine Ebner

## Grandmother

Born c. 1854

Where

Died 1910

Where Ger/Catholic

changed to Lutheran

2 Elmer Joseph Jensen

## Father

Born Dec 7, 1891

Where Philadelphia PA.

Where

Married

Where

Died

Where

Elmer

1 Weet Jensen

## You

Born

Where

Married

Where

3

## Mother

Born

Where

Died

Where

6

## Grandfather

Born

Where

Married

Where

Died

Where

7

## Grandmother

Born

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Died

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## Great-grandfather

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## Great-grandmother

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## Great-grandmother

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12

## Great-grandfather

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Died

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## Great-grandmother

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Died

Where

14

## Great-grandfather

Born

Where

Married

Where

Died

Where

15

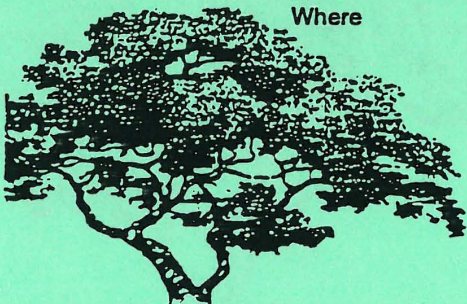
## Great-grandmother

Born

Where

Died

Where



3017 S. Sky Lane  
Pascagoula 32250  
Immigrated c. 1910  
Postcard Pasc - 1911  
Ivar - young man -  
Norway - Jensen  
Call back Fri  
Major  
Samuelson Norwegian Major  
30 Apr 1888



MISSISSIPPI

1525 NAME OF INDIVIDUAL *John Jenson* E.O. 16 SHEET 7

COLOR *B* AGE *16* BIRTHPLACE

COUNTY CITY

ENUMERATED WITH *Better, Alfred*

RELATIONSHIP TO ABOVE

<input type="checkbox"/> SON	<input type="checkbox"/> NEPHEW	<input type="checkbox"/> STEPSON
<input type="checkbox"/> DAUGHTER	<input type="checkbox"/> NIECE	<input type="checkbox"/> STEPDAUGHTER
<input type="checkbox"/> BROTHER	<input type="checkbox"/> FATHER-IN-LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> COUSIN
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1525 NAME OF INDIVIDUAL *John Jenson* E.O. 552 SHEET 1

COLOR *W* AGE *21* BIRTHPLACE *Mississippi*

COUNTY *Jackson* CITY

ENUMERATED WITH *Carl Anderson B.*

RELATIONSHIP TO ABOVE

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1525 NAME OF INDIVIDUAL *John Jenson* E.O. 122 SHEET 11

COLOR *B* AGE *9* BIRTHPLACE

COUNTY *Yalobusha* CITY

ENUMERATED WITH *Oradford, John*

RELATIONSHIP TO ABOVE

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NAME OF INDIVIDUAL E.O. SHEET



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*Jenson*  
OR OTHER DIVISION OF COUNTY *Barataria 3 Precinct (Cattell)* NAME OF  
NAME OF INSTITUTION

SECTION		NAME		RELATION	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION						Place of birth of each person and parents - give the state or territory		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11	12	
									10	11			
of each person whose place of birth on April 15, 1908, was in this family.		Name of each person whose place of birth on April 15, 1908, was in this family.		Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Sex	Color	Age at last birth day.	Whether married, widowed or divorced.	Number of years of present marriage.	Number of children.	Place of birth of this Person.	Place of birth of parents.	
27	28	Parker	Sam B	Head	M	W	54	M	35		Alabama	Ala	
			Mary	Wife	F	W	22	M	15	1	Mississippi	Ala	
		Parker	Frank	Son	M	W	22	S			Mississippi	Ala	
			Gabe	Son	M	W	18	S			Mississippi	Ala	
			Rayton	Son	M	W	12	S			Mississippi	Ala	
			John	Son	M	W	11	S			Mississippi	Ala	
			Thos	Daughter	F	W	9				Mississippi	Ala	
			Florence	Daughter	F	W	3				Mississippi	Ala	
28	29	Parker	Sam B	Head	M	W	22	M	13		Mississippi	Ala	
			Mahala	Wife	F	W	24	M	3	1	Mississippi	Ala	
			Addie L	Daughter	F	W	12				Mississippi	Ala	
29	30	Nathaniel	Jesse	Head	M	B	43	W	0	0	Mississippi	Ala	
		Stella	Barbara	Wife	F	B	9	S			Mississippi	Ala	
30	31	Parker	Roy	Head	M	B	38	W	0	3	Mississippi	Ala	
			Clayton	Son	M	B	23	S			Mississippi	Ala	
			Margie	Daughter	F	B	16	S			Mississippi	Ala	
31	32	Stella	Madison	Head	F	B	62	W	0		Mississippi	Ala	
32	33	Thomas	Jordan	Head	M	B	60	M	30		Mississippi	Ala	
			Margaret	Wife	F	B	48	M	30	7	4	Mississippi	Ala
			Oliver	Head	M	B	10				Mississippi	Ala	
33	34	Upe	Alonzo	Head	M	W	45	W	0	7	7	Mississippi	Ala
			Ollie	Son	M	W	23	S			Mississippi	Ala	
			Ellen	Daughter	F	W	19	S			Mississippi	Ala	
			Beatie	Son	M	W	16	S			Mississippi	Ala	
			Quinton	Son	M	W	14	S			Mississippi	Ala	
			Andy	Son	M	W	13	S			Mississippi	Ala	
			Edie	Son	M	W	9				Mississippi	Ala	
34	35	Fusby	William	Head	M	W	57	M	26		Mississippi	Ala	
			Sarah	Wife	F	W	57	M	26	4	Mississippi	Ala	
			William	Son	M	W	17	S			Mississippi	Ala	
			Eugene	Son	M	W	13				Mississippi	Ala	
35	36	Lox	Robert B	Head	M	W	55	M	16		Alabama	Ala	
			Letting	Wife	F	W	32	M	16	5	5	Alabama	Ala
			John	Son	M	W	11				Mississippi	Ala	
			Virginia	Daughter	F	W	9				Mississippi	Ala	
			Edith	Son	M	W	6				Mississippi	Ala	
			James	Son	M	W	7				Mississippi	Ala	
36	37	Miller	Ellen	Head	F	W	72	W	0	10	Mississippi	Ala	
			Alma	Son	M	W	36	S			Mississippi	Ala	
37	38	Burton	J. S	Head	M	W	60	W	0		Mississippi	Ala	
			J. M	Son	M	W	35	S			Mississippi	Ala	



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Last Name	JENSEN	27619

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IVAR JENSEN	13 Oct 1892	May 1966	33509 (No Location Given)	(No Location Given)	132-03-5077	New York	Before 1951
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RELATIONSHIP TO ABOVE Uncle

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J525

STATE MISSISSIPPI

Johnson, Iver VOL. 24 E. D. 63

(HEAD OF FAMILY)

W 42 Denmark SHEET 11 LINE 47

(COLOR) (AGE) (BIRTHPLACE) (CITIZENSHIP)

Pascagoula Lakeview

(COUNTY) (CITY) (STREET) (HOUSE NO.)

OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	CITIZENSHIP
<u>Johnson, Rosie M</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Mississippi</u>	
<u>Marie</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>Mississippi</u>	
<u>Herman</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>Mississippi</u>	
<u>Josie</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>Mississippi</u>	

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J525

MISSISSIPPI

Johnson, Ivery VOL. 45 E. D. 70

(HEAD OF FAMILY)

B 22 Mississippi SHEET 22 LINE 98

(COLOR) (AGE) (BIRTHPLACE) (CITIZENSHIP)

Panola

(COUNTY) (CITY) (STREET) (HOUSE NO.)

ENUMERATED WITH Johnson, Will

RELATIONSHIP TO ABOVE Boarder

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MISSISSIPPI

Johnson, Ivery VOL. 14 E. D. 13

(HEAD OF FAMILY)

B 21 Mississippi SHEET 2 LINE 15

(COLOR) (AGE) (BIRTHPLACE) (CITIZENSHIP)

De Soto

(COUNTY) (CITY) (STREET) (HOUSE NO.)

ENUMERATED WITH Williamson, James C.

RELATIONSHIP TO ABOVE Servant

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Last Name	JENSEN	27619

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IVER JENSEN	5 May 1886	Jan 1963	(No Location Given)	(No Location Given)	468-01-3029	Minnesota	Before 1951
IVER JENSEN	3 May 1869	Jan 1965	(No Location Given)	(No Location Given)	040-18-5156	Connecticut	Before 1951
IVER JENSEN	6 Jan 1900	Oct 1966	57212 (Arlington, Kingsbury, SD)	(No Location Given)	504-40-6097	South Dakota	1955
IVER JENSEN	23 Feb 1893	May 1968	68110 (Omaha, NE)	(No Location Given)	508-05-8672	Nebraska	Before 1951
IVER JENSEN	14 Aug 1896	Dec 1976	82001 (Cheyenne, Laramie, WY)	(No Location Given)	520-01-6437	Wyoming	Before 1951
IVER JENSEN	16 Oct 1896	Nov 1983	57104 (Sioux Falls, Minnehaha, SD)	(No Location Given)	504-50-5626	South Dakota	Between 1960 and 1961
IVER JENSEN	26 Jul 1916	26 Aug 1988	98826 (Leavenworth, Chelan, WA)	(No Location Given)	532-05-6886	Washington	Before 1951
IVER JENSEN	13 Aug 1906	30 Jul 1994	98682 (Vancouver, WA)	(No Location Given)	469-05-0244	Minnesota	Before 1951

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1. Search the CD for your family member, entering:  
Surname.....First name.....  
State abbreviation- where Social Security card was  
first obtained....AL, MS, GA, etc.
2. If not found, retry, entering:  
Different spellings.... Bird/Byrd, etc. of surname  
Nicknames and initials as well.
3. Most deaths on the CD are from 1965 to 1993, when the  
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Earlier death records are being added.

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SEARCH the CDRom for your deceased family member. When found, use the name, SS#, birth date, death date, place of death & state where card was issued. WRITE to the following address for Social Security Information on your deceased family member who had a Social Security Card, 1937 to present. REQUEST A PHOTOCOPY of SS-5, the ORIGINAL APPLICATION for Social Security. The original SS-5 application should have identification proof, such as birthdate, birthplace and parents. They will let you know the cost for this service.

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Attn: Freedom of Information Officer  
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NAME OF INDIVIDUAL		E.D.		SHEET	
J525 Johnson, Jonathan		15		3	
COLOR	AGE	BIRTHPLACE			
B	16	Mississippi			
COUNTY	CITY				
Jackson	Benton				
ENUMERATED WITH					
Butler, Alfred					
RELATIONSHIP TO ABOVE					
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NAME OF INDIVIDUAL		E.D.		SHEET	
J525 Johnson, Isaac		15		2	
COLOR	AGE	BIRTHPLACE			
W	31	Mississippi			
COUNTY	CITY				
Jackson	Benton				
ENUMERATED WITH					
Cox, Andrew B.					
RELATIONSHIP TO ABOVE					
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J525 Johnson, Isaac		12		11	
COLOR	AGE	BIRTHPLACE			
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COUNTY	CITY				
Yalobusha	Benton				
ENUMERATED WITH					
Bradford, John					
RELATIONSHIP TO ABOVE					
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## OLD WADE POST OFFICE

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Leslie Davis in front of the Old Wade Post Office.  
Courtesy of: Teresa Brown

## LEMATRE GENERAL STORE

C103



E.L. Lemaitre General Store, Escatwapa, MS 1920  
Located on Dutch Bayou Rd. about 100 ft. east of present Old Highway 63.  
Left to Right: Ed Graham, Annie Pendarvis, Ernest Lemaitre, Lloyd Busby, Bye Smith  
Courtesy of: Robert Wells

## HELENA COMMUNITY

C104

Helena was platted on 17 October 1911. The hamlet was officially born on 31 October 1911 as the plat was recorded in the Jackson County record books. The land had been purchased by the Riviera Realty Company of Noble County, Indiana. In 1910 the company acquired one half of a section, or approximately 320 acres, from the heirs of Alexander Raff. As the origin of the name "Helena" escapes us, we must assume that the name was given by the company who founded the town.

Not just the town, but the rural area surrounding the actual hamlet is to be considered the Helena community. Helena was never of considerable size. In 1913 it was considered a railroad siding for the shipping of pulpwood to the Moss Point paper mill and to points in Pascagoula. The town had a depot which was located in a camp car situated along the tracks on the north side of Sarracenia Road where the Presbyterian Church now stands.

The town post office was also a camp car which had been placed upon a foundation after the removal of its wheels. This post office, with Charles Lee as the first postmaster, was located on the south side of Sarracenia Road next to the tracks. The mail for the area would arrive by train from Pascagoula. Prior to Mr. Lee's appointment, the town had its mail delivered by Albert E. Miller, who was listed in the 1910 census as a mail carrier.

Albert Miller was undoubtedly responsible for delivering the mail to the entire surrounding community as he was listed prior to the origination of the town. He would have delivered the mail to the residents of Lily Orchard community. This area was formed by the Lily Pharmaceutical

Company prior to 1910. In that year, Charles W. Buel was listed as the manager of the farm. After 1924 this area was sometimes called Nutbank, which by this time found pecans as its main crop. There was a school located here which was used by the children who lived east of the Helena railroad tracks. This school burned in the year 1913 and as a result the Sarracenia or Helena school was erected.


The children on the west side of the Helena railroad tracks attended school in the back of Vice's store. Miss Fannie Brooks, from Four Mile Creek, being the teacher, not only taught the rudiments of education but the Ten Commandments and the Lord's Prayer as well.

The barn of Andrew B. Cox was used for religious services. The barn contained simple furnishings with pine blocks which supported 2 x 12 planks used for seats. These services were for all who wished to worship and were undenominational. There was no full time preacher in attendance. Several circuit preachers from various denominations would hold occasional meetings. The Reverend C.M. Martin, a Methodist minister, and The Reverend M.E. Hulbert were probably asked to speak on various occasions.

Since Helena and its surrounding rural areas had undefinable boundaries it is difficult, using the 1900 and 1910 census of Jackson County, to say exactly who was living there. The area tends to overlap the surrounding communities. The enumerators were not given a specific course on which they had to travel to compile their listings. Rather, they were given an area to cover and told to complete their assignment.

The following roster will give a fairly accurate listing of the families living in the area when the town of Helena was established.

Jules McKenzie family with Eugene Brown living in the household  
William M. Sprinkles family with Brothinn (?) Alexander in the household  
Edward Krebs family with Nickous Elwood in the household  
Widow Almeda Vice's family  
Leslie Vice family  
Charles Nelson family  
John Miller family  
John B. Williams family with son-in-law, Hess C. Patterson  
Winson & Ann Autry with Gordon Lundy in the household  
John H. Eckhoff family  
William Furby family  
X Andrew B. Cox family with Ivan Jenson in the household  
T.S. Broadus family  
Simon McDowell family  
Henry Huff family  
Charlotte Young, widow and her son, Arthur Young  
John S. Furby family  
Thomas H. Shout/Shoub family  
Norman Raff/Roff family (He was listed as an heir of Alexander Raff)  
Andrew H. Pakins family  
Otto Eckhoff family  
Frank Williams family  
Charles W. Buel family, Claud C. Buel and wife  
Curtis A. Graham family  
John Bennett family  
Henry Jones family  
Alonzo Cunningham family with Tom Parker in the household  
W.M. Sterans (?) family  
Charles Alexander family  
Frank E. Heard family  
Maurice Knoff family  
G.T. Bauslog (?) household with Alex T. Thompson  
M.E. Hulbert family - Minister



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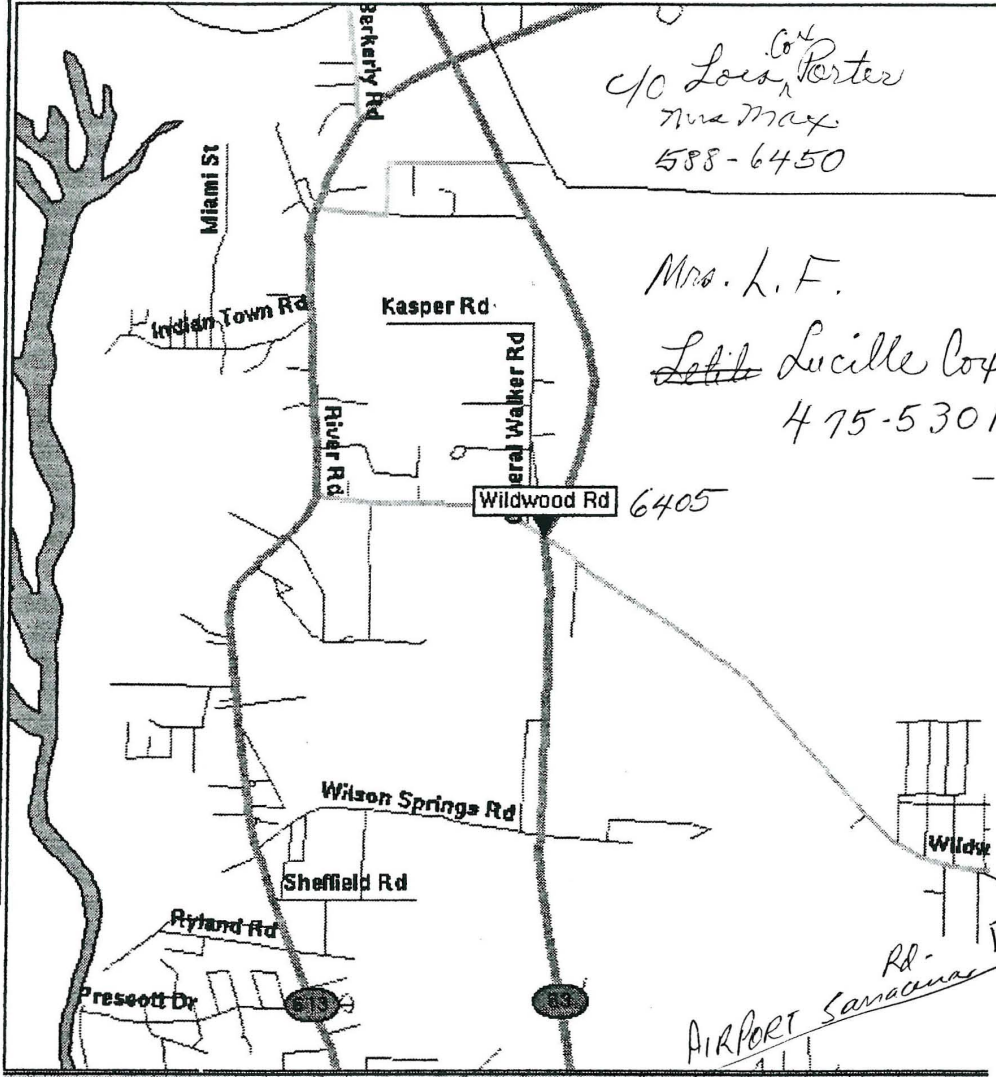
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C.M. Martin family - Methodist Minister  
NOTE: Names are spelled as they were found in the census lists.

Early in 1913 several community meetings were held with the foremost business of the day being the erecting of a separate building to be used for the education of the minors. On July 15, 1913 the Sarracenia School Trustees purchased one and one-half acres from the Riviera Realty Company for the total price of \$1.00. Even though the town of Helena was laid out north of Black Creek along the Sarracenia Road to the railroad track, the school was to be located south of Black Creek. This area was determined to be centrally located.

The building was truly a community project. The first cash donations came from Mr. A.B. Cox and Mr. Jules McKenzie. A.B. Cox, John L. Williams and Pete Barber solicited the area saw mills and lumber companies: O'Larry Lumber Company, Robinson Lumber and Mill Company, Bounds Lumber Company and L.N. Dantzler Lumber Company. Nails, windows, doors and assorted hardware were solicited from Blumer Hardware and Machine Shop and John Kreb's store.

As John L. Williams owned an ox team and worked in timber, he was given the job of forming the foundation. Six yellow pine trees were cut in the swamp and hauled to Mr. Williams' house where he proceeded to line out, notch and chop the logs. The sills were originally placed on wood blocks. After the logs were cut to size they were hauled to the site of the proposed school where Charles Lee had sketched the foundation.

Ollie and Charley Vice, along with the aforementioned men, used their team to transport the lumber from the lumber companies to the site. The modes of conveyance were eight-wheeled wagons and high-wheeled "carry-logs" pulled by yokes of oxen.

Charles Lee, supervisor of the project, and Mr. Jules McKenzie were responsible for the carpenter work. All of the people of the community worked on the building, each doing the job that they were most adapted for. Walter Williams, Homer Jones, Jules McKenzie and Harry Young constructed wooden handdriven and drawn shingles.

Men were not the only workers on the site. The women were not to be out done by the men. The ladies were eager to do whatever needed to be done, whether it was sawing, carrying boards, or bringing water or lunch. Mrs. Philip F. Williams has been given the credit for sawing every board that went into the belfry and carrying the shingles up to the belfry. This construction was not an easy task when one considers that they did not even have the modern power tools of today.

The belfry for the school was constructed by Charles Lee after the bell had arrived so that the correct size was insured. The belfry was framed and had slats on its sides so that the bell was protected from the weather, but the sound was not muffled.

The money for the bell was raised by the youth of the neighborhood. The area ball team put on a minstrel and made home-made ice cream. Enough was gathered from the festivities to order a bell from Sears & Roebuck. This bell arrived in Helena on the train. The bell was brought from the depot and raised upon the building by a rope and

tackle block. On the first Monday of October at 8:30 a.m. the bell rang to announce the first day of school.

Miss Ethel Reeves was the first school teacher in the school year 1913-1914. She boarded with the Charles Lee family. For the opening day a short speech was made by John L. Williams and Andrew B. Cox. When they concluded, Mr. Rudolph Hans was asked to say a few words. Mr. Hans was of German extraction and a new resident of the area. His words have long been remembered: "All I say if they do good we'll give them ice cream."

Ethel Reeves, Miss Verna Oda/Odom, Mrs. Jewel Glass, Mrs. Carter, Vivian Shirley and Helena McKenzie were some of the earliest school teachers of the new school.

The first year and a half the children sat on 1 x 12 boards that had been placed upon blocks. These benches were located along the walls. Only one child had her own desk, Marie Friend. This desk was purchased by her father. Halfway into the second year's school term, Guy Beam, the first superintendent of education, acquired desks for the children.

The school had a black board across the back of the room and one black board on each side of the room. The grades taught were one through eight. For further learning, the students went to Moss Point High School. Virginia Cox, Cammie Williams, Aleese and Nells Canstrum were some of the students that first attended school in Helena and later in Moss Point High.

A hand pump was located in the front of the building. This pump was located over a wooden box which had holes in the bottom for drainage.

The school days were in session from October through April. Classes began at 8:30 a.m. until 12:00, an hour for lunch and recess, beginning again at 1:00 p.m. until 3:00. There were two periods of recess held at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., each fifteen minutes long.

The school was heated in the winter by a round heater in the center of the building. The wood was furnished by the trustees.

Subjects taught were: reading, writing, arithmetic, spelling and some history. History and science were taught to the ninth grade students.

When the Department of Health was organized in Jackson County, Guy Beam came around to each school to talk with the students. Some remembered advice: "Use a fig limb and brush your teeth, but don't put snuff on it."

The children were kept in line by switches that were cut from the surrounding area. Mrs. Jewel Glass settled the problem of note passing in her classes. One day she whipped three boys and then three more the next day. One young man, to protect his legs from the switch, put on his long stockings before his meeting with the "board of correction." It was reported that he went home with holes in his stockings from the switch. However severe the methods may seem today, the note passing in class ceased.

The entire school property was enclosed by a fence. The first year Charles Friend brought in his team, worked the ground and planted a crop of peas. The entire community was invited to pick all of the peas that

they wanted. A hole would often get in the fence and the neighborhood pet, Sam the pig, would wander into the school yard. As today, children would be distracted from their studies and permission would be given to run Sam out of the school yard and fix the hole in the fence.

About 1915-1916, Mrs. W.M. Bordner, Mrs. Charles Lee and Pete Barber, along with others, decided that a regular Sunday School was needed in the community. From this time on the building was also used to hold the religious services of the area. Again, it was undenominational. There were Methodists, Presbyterians, Baptists and Catholics (Jules McKenzie's family) who worshiped.

A Reverend Collins had conducted services in Mr. Cox's barn. When the services moved into the new building, Reverend Collins continued to hold occasional meetings. But, for many years there was not a full time minister in the community.

The following is an attempt to reconstruct the order in which the ministers held church services in the community building.

Rev. Collins, Presbyterian (?)

Rev. Benjamin Ellis, Baptist; Walked from Pascagoula.

Rev. Warr, Latter-Day Saints

Rev. James Sells, Methodist; From Pascagoula.

Rev. A.C. Ingram, Presbyterian; Arrived in a Model "T" Ford - held services beginning at 3:00 p.m. Preached several years.

Rev. A.A. Meeks, Presbyterian

Rev. West, Presbyterian; About 1947, the Presbyterian body was organized under his ministry - church was built by Henry Hans. Rev. James Williamson, Methodist; From Escatawpa.

Rev. Roy Wolf, Methodist; Was an associated pastor of Escatawpa Methodist Church.

Rev. Camel, Baptist

Rev. Broom, Baptist

Rev. W.W. Beville, Methodist

Rev. Bryan Broadus, Methodist

Rev. Miller, Baptist

Rev. J.J. Jackson, Methodist

Rev. Harrell, Baptist

Rev. Pete Steelman, Baptist

Rev. Holifield, Baptist

Rev. James Ramey, Methodist; 1952 - From Big Point-Wilson Springs.

Rev. Tom Bartle, Methodist; July, 1953

Rev. E. Binford Smith, Methodist; 1954-1956

An interesting story was related about A.C. Ingram. One Sunday while Rev. Ingram was preaching he saw his small daughter climb upon the open window ledge. He immediately stopped preaching and ran outside and caught the child before she fell.

The rostrum in the end of the building was six inches high. This area was used by the teachers during school sessions and by ministers during church services. In the early days of the church services there was an organ which operated by bellows. This organ was sold and a piano was purchased. Mrs. Lucille Cox played the old organ along with Grace Smith Williams. Mrs. Williams also led a children's choir.

As the building was for the community use it was utilized for many festivities: Rally days, Christmas plays, Children's plays, Thanksgiving plays, etc. Even though the

population was slight, the area had much to celebrate. Helena's baseball team had a twenty-one game winning streak one summer. As in any area, without modern entertainment distractions, any excuse to congregate was welcomed. The little community building was justly named.

As was noted previously in the listing of the ministers who preached in the community building, the Presbyterians withdrew from the services and erected their own separate building. They served ice cream and cake for several Sundays in an attempt to draw the community into its' congregation.

By this time the idea of separate denominational worship had been firmly implanted. The Methodists organized as a separate body, but continued to worship in the community building until their new church was built. The Methodists held their opening service in their new sanctuary on 29 December 1957.

From the community services those of the Baptist faith attempted to organize their own denominational worship. However, apparently there were insufficient members of that faith. The Baptist church that is now in Helena, although no doubt has many members of the old families, did not spring from an organization within the people who attended the services in the old building.

As the community was yet small many traveled to surrounding areas to trade. Traveling was not as easy as it is today. Many traveled in a horse and wagon, or a wagon pulled by a yoke of oxen. Using an ox wagon it would take an entire day to go from Helena to Pascagoula and back home again.

For many years the only way to cross the Pascagoula River was by a hand pulled ferry which operated between Escatawpa and Moss Point. This very slow way to travel was replaced by a barge across the river about the year 1929. There was also a ferry in use from Pascagoula to Biloxi.

Several saw mills were in operation in the area: E.K. Gant, McIntosh, H. Bloomer/Blumer, Griffith and Dantzer. Logs from Livingston and Lucedale were hauled by the railroad into Moss Point and Pascagoula. Happy Hancock was the first engineer to operate the log train.

There was a wooden shingle mill in the Helena area. J.W. Young & Son General Store was located on the east side of the railroad on Saracena Road. This store was an abandoned camp car which had been converted and had a constructed false front. Ben Vice operated a store and was the village blacksmith.

The early businesses have gone and many of the early buildings are no longer standing. The community building yet remains, but it is hardly recognized under its' modern face lift. Today, the building is used daily as a nursery school. As for use by the entire community the building is only used as the precinct place of voting.

In 1958 the building was used only by the Methodists as a place of worship. As they had erected the new Methodist church the trustees of the church attempted to sell, for a cost of \$1.00, the one and one-half acres and the building to the Board of Supervisors of Jackson County. However, this deed had to be cancelled and another one written. "Whereas the Old Saracena School proper-

ty in Helena was erroneously conveyed to the Trustees of Lee Memorial Chapel Methodist church and their successors in office, and should be reconveyed to the Board of Supervisors of Jackson County, MS to clear the error caused by said conveyance; and Whereas, said property should be used by all the community of Helena, and Whereas, it is deemed the best interest of Helena Methodist that said land be conveyed back to the Board of Supervisors of Jackson County, Mississippi. 20 March 1958, W.C. Hyatt, secretary of Helena Methodist Church." The deed was filed 2 April 1958 and recorded 5 May 1958.

The property did not belong to the members of the Methodist church but to the members of the whole community. Therefore, the land was deeded over to the Board of Supervisors to be under their maintenance, but not to be used as their private property. The building was to continue to be used by the entire community. When one considers the changed lifestyle of today, the building is best used as a voting place by the area voters.

When the Board of Supervisors took over the maintenance of the building and the grounds they made some long needed repairs to the building. In the process of the reworking of the roof the belfry was removed. The original bell is reported to be stored in the attic of the old building. There has been talk within the community of remounting the bell as a monument to the past.

The community of Helena has grown and changed with the times. The modern has replaced the past. Though no longer isolated from the surrounding metropolis, the area is yet a quiet and peaceful place to live.

by Denise Moore

## BIG POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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The Church was organized in 1876 in a log school with Church and Sunday School being held there for four years. This school building was a log structure located near the Dallas Cunningham place. Brother Charles Calhoun was the first pastor who served the church twice for two years each appointment.

In 1880 a log church was built midway between Hurley and Big Point approximately 150 yards due south of Brazel Branch and 50 yards east of the present highway. The church was in this location for twenty-six years until the famous storm of 1906 completely destroyed it. This was the original Big Point Church and was on the Americus Charge.

In early spring of 1907 the church was relocated at its present location with a log frame building being built with two doors opening in the east end. This building was 24 feet wide and 36 feet long. It was built by S.J. Yawn, better known as Seib Yawn. The pulpit and benches were built by Mr. Wirth Goff. The first minister serving in this new building was Brother Dennis E. Vickers. His salary was \$50.00 per year with part of that being taken in from farm produce. This building remained this way until spring of

1928 at which time it was remodeled. The Reverend G.A. Broadus was pastor during this time and the church was on the Escatawpa Charge.

The tornado of March 9, 1944 made a new structure necessary. Donations were made for \$1000.00 which was necessary to build a new church building. The Reverend W.W. Watkins was pastor and the men of the church provided the labor. A very successful solicitation for money to buy pews was made among the membership, who also made other furnishings possible.

In 1953 Big Point and Wilson Springs were put on the same Charge. The Parsonage was built with the members of Wilson Springs helping. The Reverend J.D. (Pete) Ramey was pastor at this time. In 1955 Helena Methodist Church was added to Big Point-Wilson Springs Charge. At this time the Reverend Benford Smith was pastor. During his tenure Big Point was named "Rural Church of the Year" by the Town and Country Commission of the Mississippi Methodist Conference.

The construction of the first addition to our church building was begun in 1958 while the Reverend C.L. Smith was pastor. This structure wasn't completed until later.

In 1961 Big Point became a station church and four more Sunday School rooms were added. This was done with the help of the Reverend Jack Troutman and faithful members of the church. In 1963 our current parsonage was built under the leadership of the Reverend Troutman. One year later the Reverend W.T. Miller was appointed to our church for a three year ministry that centered on Evangelism, preaching many revivals in the area.

On December 7, 1969 our church conference was held and a resolution was passed to build a new church sanctuary. Removal of the old church began on February 27, 1970 and forms were laid for the new sanctuary area on March 12th. This project was another example of faithfulness and dedication of the church membership, who provided the labor. This lovely Sanctuary opened for the Glory of God under the leadership of the Reverend James Howell. The consecration service was held June 21, 1970.

Big Point was again cited as "Church of the Year" by the Town and Country Commission of the Mississippi Methodist Conference, during the Reverend Howell's pastorate. It was also under his leadership that Roberts Chapel and Big Point established a joint pastorate.

Much care has been taken of the total church structure during the pastorates of the Reverends Ben Doggett, Lonnie Walding and W.H. Sanford. During the Reverend Sanford's pastorate a One Hundredth Anniversary Homecoming was held on August 29, 1976 and the Reverend James Williamson who pastored our church from 1945-1951 brought the message of the morning worship service.

The Reverend William F. Wells came to Big Point as pastor in 1979. On September 12, 1979 Hurricane Frederick struck the Gulf Coast. Big Point Church was unaffected physically by the impact of the hurricane, but members grew closer not only to God but also to each other as they sought to repair the damaged community.



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**JENSEN**

**Harold Jensen Jr.**, 68, of Gautier, Miss., passed away Saturday, July 5, 2008, in Ocean Springs, Miss.

Mr. Jensen was born Aug. 6, 1939, in Stamford, Conn., to the late Harold and Evie Ann Jensen Sr. He served our country in the U.S. Air Force. On Aug. 24, 1963, he met and married the love of his life, Evelyn Pedersen. He was a member of Christus Victor Lutheran Church in Ocean Springs, where he enjoyed volunteering. Harold had a passion and love for education and continued taking courses and reading to expand his knowledge. He was employed at Northrop Grumman Ship Systems as a design engineer.

He is survived by his wife, Evelyn Jensen of Gautier; a son, Eric H. Jensen and his wife, Rebecca, of Denver, Colo.; a daughter, Kris Jensen of Clinton, Conn.; daughter of the heart, Sheila Plourd, and her husband, Steve; a sister, Joyce Finn, and husband, William of Gautier; sister-in-law, Dorothy (George) Payne; nieces, Carolyn (Rusty) DeMouy, Kelly (Gary) Anderson, Deborah (Al) Sanzari and Lisa (Paul) Tuccinardi; nephews, Kevin (Angel) Finn and George Payne Jr.; two grandchildren, Owen and Ella Jensen; a grandchild of the heart, Jennifer Plourd, and 12 great-nieces and -nephews.

A funeral service will be held today, Friday, July 11, 2008, at 6 p.m. from the O'Bryant-O'Keefe Gautier Chapel with visitation one hour prior to service. Pastor Terri Stagner-Collier will officiate.

A private interment will be held at a later date.

Those unable to attend may sign guest register online at [www.obryantokeefe.com](http://www.obryantokeefe.com).